

Capsule Summary
SM-725
Camp Winslow
Dameron vicinity
Private

c. 1920s

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7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Commanding expansive vistas of the Chesapeake Bay, Camp Winslow is located approximately one mile east of the intersection of Camp Winslow and St. Jerome's Neck Roads near Dameron, Maryland. Situated on a low lying tract consisting of 95.1 acres, the camp consists of a number of frame buildings oriented around a dirt road that roughly parallels the bay. While only four of the buildings were photographed, the United States Geological Survey map indicates that more buildings are located to the south of those pictured. Access to the property was not obtained so these buildings could not be more thoroughly investigated. Photography and observations were limited from the public road. Only about 5 acres of the entire tract was observed.

From the public road four one story, frame summer cottages, constructed on masonry piers. These buildings appear to be clad with artificial siding on the exterior walls (although at least one is sheathed with weather board), while the roof appears to be covered with asphalt shingles. The fenestration of the cottages is designed to primarily facilitate air flow off of the Chesapeake Bay. It consists of a number of sliding windows that are either screened or glazed. At least one of the cottages appears to be heated as a stove flue is visible.

A frame building is located immediately north of the row of four cottages. It has an unknown function.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>5 acres</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>5 acres</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Point No Point</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24 000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the south by St. Clarence Creek, to the east by the Chesapeake Bay, to the west by a cultivated farm, and to the north by a wooded tract. The property is more specifically described in the St. Mary's County Land Records Liber MRB 248, folio 340.

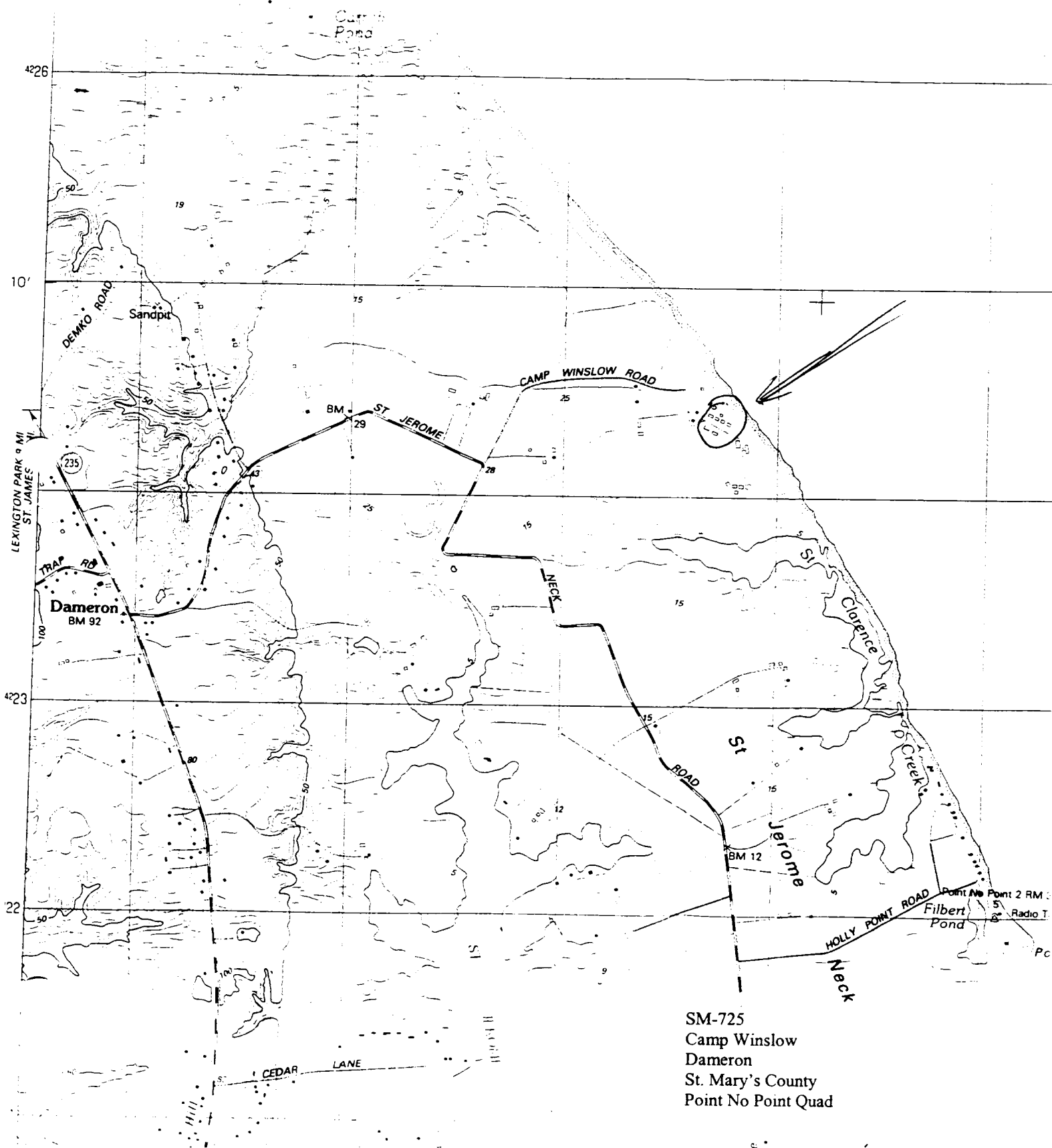
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